


**WARREN COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2019**

The Warren County Council met for their first meeting of October 2019. Council Members present for the meeting were: John Comer, Matt Commons, Sharon Hutchison, Neil Ellis, Ethan Foxworthy, George Taylor and Lee Kay. Also, in attendance: County Attorney Jud Barce and Ingrid Barce; Commissioners Clay Andrews and Brian Jordan; Auditor Robin Weston-Hubner; Sheriff Rusty Hart. Public Nikki Elrod.

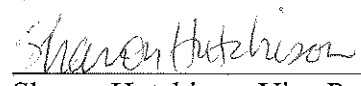
1. The meeting was called to order by John Comer, Council President.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by John Comer.
3. New Business:
 - a. Meeting Agenda Approval – Weston-Hubner requested additions of Highway Additional Appropriation Ordinance, Sharon Hutchison K-IRPC Report, 2020 State Line city Budget Adoption, West Lebanon Library Board Appointment. John Comer requested addition of Lee Kay concerns with Jordan Creek Windfarm Abatement Discussion. Neil Ellis made a motion to approve the amended agenda with a second of Sharon Hutchison, all voted in favor.
 - b. Abatement Discussion – Lee Kay discussed questions and concerns she has with the Jordan Creek Windfarm ERA, Amended SB-1, legal advertisement with adding Steuben Township. Barce explained the information on the Resolution, ERA and Amended SB-1 concerning Steuben Township.
 - c. Sharon Hutchison made a motion to approve the September 30, 2019 Council Meeting minutes with a second from Ethan Foxworthy, all voted in favor. The passed, adjusted August 26, 2019 Commissioner/Council Meeting minutes were signed.
 - d. 2020 Council Meeting Schedule – The Council decided to move the July Budget Meeting to Tuesday July 21, 2019 due to scheduling conflicts. Lee Kay made a motion to approve the 2020 Council Schedule as discussed with second from Matt Commons, all voted in favor.
 - e. Highway Additional Appropriation Ordinance/Resolution – George Taylor made a motion to approve the Additional Appropriation in the amount of \$50,000 to the Highway Stone budget, ordinance #2019-1028A, with a second from Ethan Foxworthy, all voted in favor.
 - f. K-IRPC Report, Sharon Hutchison and Brian Jordan – The K-IRPC budget was presented for review. Public Transportation grant based on need was explained. There are several counties with this grant and hoping for Warren County to have this in the future. OCRA has a \$50k planning grant for a broadband study. The Council will discuss moving forward with the grant at the November meeting.
 - g. 2020 Budget Adoption for State Line City – Lee Kay made a motion to approve the Resolution #2019-1028B for the 2020 State Line City tax rate and budget total with a second from Ethan Foxworthy, all voted in favor.
 - h. West Lebanon Library Board Appointment – Reappointing Patsy Reynolds to the West Lebanon Library Board for a 4-year term. Sharon Hutchison made a motion to reappoint Patsy Reynolds with a second from Neil Ellis, all voted in favor. John Comer signed the appointment paperwork.
4. Elected Official/Officer Holder Comment:
 - a. Rusty Hart, Sheriff. Presented a quarterly report on the police pension investment fund. Hart asked if the Council would like Geolzer to attend a meeting to give a year to date investment portfolio. The council agreed. Grant was awarded for a DUI and seatbelt enforcement.
 - b. Farm Report, Commissioner Clay Andrews. Andrews explained the total gross profit \$171,571.56 which our half is \$85,785.78. Total expenses \$104,751.02 net profit \$66,820.54 giving the County a total profit of \$34,410.27. Clay Andrews is working to put funds into the County Farm fund for repairs in the future. Discussion concerning the adding funds to the County Farm Fund as well as other income options.
 - c. Weston-Hubner explained the Longevity information that was given. Weston-Hubner is working with Barce concerning the resolution for the Council. Discussed the Salary Survey and Longevity.
5. Public Comment: No public comment.
6. Old Business:

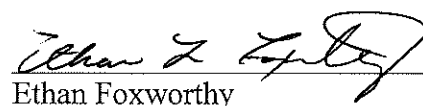
The next County Council meeting will be November 25, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

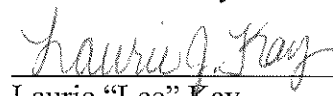
There being no further business, Matt Commons made a motion to adjourn with a second from George Taylor.

ATTEST:  WARREN COUNTY COUNCIL
Robin Weston-Hubner


John Comer, President


Sharon Hutchison, Vice President


Ethan Foxworthy


Laurie "Lee" Kay

Neil Ellis


Matt Commons


George Taylor